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FATAL MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT STH 17, Phelps WI

Phelps, WI, July 5, 2015 -- At approximately 12:40 AM the Vilas County Sheriff's Office Communication Center received a 911 call reporting a vehicle in the ditch that was on fire. This accident occurred on STH 17, near the address of 3250 STH 17.

Through investigation it was determined that a vehicle left the roadway, went airborne prior to striking a tree. The vehicle came to rest on its side and caught fire. First responders extinguished the fire and located one person deceased in the vehicle.

At this time the traffic accident remains under investigation by the Vilas County Sheriff's Office and the Vilas County Coroner's Office. Agencies assisting with the accident were Conover Fire, Rescue and EMS, Vilas County Sheriff and Vilas County Coroner's Office. At this time the name of the victim is not being released pending family notification.

Agency Case Number: 15-007074

Det./Sgt. Theodore Indermuehle 7-5-15 05:15 AM